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Matsufumi WADA et al.) Group Art Unit: 1632
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For: CATALYST FOR PRODUCTION OF D-LACTIC ACID)))

COMMUNICATION REGARDING ENTITY STATUS

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Sir:

On November 20, 2006, Applicants representatives filed a Response to Notice to Comply Under 37 CFR 1.821-825. In the Transmittal Letter for the Notice to Comply, the box indicating small entity status was inadvertently checked as a typographical error. Applicants representatives wish to confirm that small entity status does not apply in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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